

FRONT DOOR OPEN.

THE TIMES' new quarters are now receiving the last touches, the front door is open, and our friends can enter without going around to the alley side entrance. Our phone (No. 59) is in working order, and we are getting things straightened out somewhat. In another week we hope to have everything in good shape, and thus relieved of the annoying disorder with which we have had to contend for more than a month, we will be able to give more attention to the paper and be more prompt in filling all orders.

In this connection we feel that we ought to apologize to our subscribers for the very poor quality of paper on which THE TIMES has been printed for several weeks, but annoyances are born twins, and our paper house added to the list by sending us an unusually inferior grade of paper.

Remember that we are now located in the new concrete building just east of the Post Office, on Columbia street. Come in and see us, if it is only to say "howdy," and tell us of all the happenings in your neighborhood. THE TIMES is interested in all its patrons and friends, and we are always glad to see you.

Is the Democratic Party Dying?

The New York World intimates that the Democratic party is dying, and the reasons for this impression are stated as follows:

"A Tammany city convention adopts resolutions praising President Roosevelt for the surprising courage, remarkable tact, distinguished ability and commanding influence displayed by him as the central figure in the greatest peace triumph of the age."

"William Jennings Bryan, twice candidate for president on the Democratic ticket, tenders to Mr. Roosevelt his sympathetic support in the campaign of regulating corporations in general and railway rates in particular."

"The Massachusetts Democrats commend Mr. Roosevelt for his services in establishing peace between Russia and Japan."

"The Rhode Island Democrats endorse Mr. Roosevelt's rate regulation policy."

"The Republicans of Massachusetts are demanding a revision of the tariff."

"Former Senator Caffery, of Louisiana, says the southern Democrats are protectionists, and predicts the organization of a new party."

"When a President elected as a Republican moves for reform upon the lines proposed in three successive Democratic national platforms, it would be strange if he did not have the support of Democrats. The failure of Democrats to support him in that proposed reform would provide better proof than the New York World is able to cite in the patriotic, Democratic and consistent attitude taken by Democrats generally with respect to Mr. Roosevelt's efforts to enlarge the powers of the interstate commerce commission."

Former Senator Caffery of Louisiana has not for many years been an authority on Democratic opinion, and that the Republicans of Massachusetts are approaching the Democratic position on the tariff question gives no reason for the belief that the Democratic party is dying."

Democratic principles as they were presented in 1896 and in 1900 are, admittedly, more popular to day than ever before. And when we see distinguished Republicans advocating Democratic methods in the effort to provide the people with relief—and prevented from establishing reforms because their party is wedded to its corporate idols—it is absurd for any one to contend that "the Democratic party is dying."

More and more the American people are coming to realize that the Democratic party represents the real conservation of the country—that it stands between the radicalism of the Republican party on the one hand and the radicalism of the socialist on the other. More and more the people are coming to understand the evils of monopoly as described by Democrats in 1896 and in 1900, and more and more they are coming to believe that the Democratic methods for reform along these lines must be adopted if popular Government is to be preserved.

might be all away its "premises" might in the main be sound. Also, that the opponents of the Democratic party in those campaigns would feel better to-day if they had not jumped "to the preposterous extreme of contradicting every premise on which those policies were supposed to hang down to the Ten Commandments."

Time was when political parties were presumed to display strength and political leaders were regarded as statesmen when they withheld their endorsements of proposed reforms advocated by the opposition; and there have been instances where men vigorously fought the very reforms which they had previously as vigorously advocated, and all because the opposition had adopted their own plans. But such things are of the past.

If Democrats are not sufficiently sincere and patriotic to support their own plans for reform, even when those plans are adopted by sincere Republicans, then they are incapable of giving strength and

validity to the political organization to which they belong.

If the Democratic party were made up of the men who would desert their principles and their policies simply because an honest Republican had undertaken to put those principles and policies into effect it might, in truth, be said that the Democratic party is dying.

But at this time when the masses of the people are hopefully turning to Democratic policies and when those Republicans who are honestly striving for reform find their efforts thwarted by the powerful hold which monopoly has upon their own organization, there is every reason for the Democrat to have faith in his party's vitality and hope for the ultimate adoption by his countrymen of the principles for which his party has fought. — The Commoner.

All orders over the phone (No. 140) for meals will be promptly attended to by the City Meat Market.

Store Building and Lot For Sale at Elvins, Mo.

Two store rooms, one 18x55, one 22x55; five living rooms upstairs; two room cottage in rear; lot 56x105; can be used as restaurant, grocery, furniture store, etc.; rents for \$50.00 per month. Price \$3,000.00. MARVIN A. YOUNG, Farmington, Mo. Phone 181.

DeSoto Y. M. C. A. celebrated its fourth anniversary on the 7th inst. by an interesting program of speeches and music and feasts of good things. They have a membership of 602.

The authorities in Reynolds county will build a stockade nine feet high of oak lumber around the jail during the trial of the Spanghams, which begins Nov. 27. Extra guards will be put on duty.

The post-office at Clarkton was entered on the night of the 6th and the safe entirely blown to pieces. About \$40 was secured.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

BISMARCK BREVITIES.

A. B. Beck and wife visited Arcadia Monday.

J. G. Clanton left Monday for St. Louis to spend the winter.

Rev. Steele of Ironton is visiting the family of his son, Hugh Steele.

Mr. Brenton, the I. M. & S. tie inspector, left this week for an Arkansas trip.

Mrs. Hodges of Tennessee is visiting the family of her son, Rev. J. W. Hodges.

Wm. Trauernicht of Middlebrook was transacting business here Monday.

Dr. W. R. Goodykoontz and family of Calcedonia visited the family of T. H. Holman Sunday.

Misses Annie Oehler and Alice Beard and Mrs. E. S. Boyer are reported sick with typhoid fever.

A gentleman representing the Sunside Magazine of this county is here writing up Bismarck for the November issue.

John D. Webb returned home this week from St. Louis. He is suffering from cancer of the mouth and is in a very bad condition.

Postmaster Bryan was the recipient of a nice birthday present last week from his children in the shape of a fine rocking chair.

The Bismarck Telephone company received two more car loads of telephone posts from Michigan this week. Mr. O. W. Kanusey, president of the company states that they will be ready for business in about two weeks.

We tip our hats to the present town board for the manner in which they are improving the streets and having the sidewalks and crossings improved. The work is neat, lasting and substantial, and it reflects great credit upon our city fathers. May they all seek reelection and be again unanimously elected into their present office.

VICTOR.

Mrs. W. M. Dalton is sick.

Etta King, who has been ill so long, is now improving.

J. G. Buford, Jr., of Flat River, visited his family here Saturday.

F. L. Graham and Tom Burns, one of the drill men, are petit jury men this court.

D. F. Moran of Bonne Terre came down Saturday to look after some wheat that is for sale.

D. F. Strigman, who has been suffering with a sore leg for some time, is now some better.

W. A. Shaw, N. A. Kinkead and Ed. McDaniel shipped some cattle and hogs to St. Louis Monday.

Mrs. Z. T. Berryman and her daughter, Miss Mabel, of Fredericktown, visited Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Graham Tuesday.

A reception was given in honor of the new converts at the Christian Church Tuesday evening. Cake and fruit were served and the young people enjoyed the evening pleasantly.

The members of the Christian Church gave Elder S. W. Robinson a surprise donation Friday evening. We understand that the donation amounted to about twenty dollars worth of the necessities of life. A large crowd was present and enjoyed the evening in singing and social conversation.

Mrs. A. J. Banes and her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Houser and her three children of Flat River, visited J. W. Banes here Saturday. They went to Mine La Motte Sunday for a week's visit, and will return here Sunday to visit relatives next week before returning to Flat River.

FELIX.

Rural Route No. 3.

Your correspondent, owing to other engrossing cares, has been somewhat delinquent in furnishing items; not that she did not have plenty to write about for you well know. Mr. Editor, that we women always know about nearly everything that transpires, even if we have to put on our sunbonnets and skip out to our neighbors to gossip.

Ben Marks is on the sick list.

Several of our farmers are losing some of their pork hogs.

Wheat looks promising and a very large acreage has been sown.

Mr. Rue, on the Jessie Marks farm, lost a fine young mule last week.

Our farmers are having trouble rounding up their cattle on the range.

"Uncle" Newt Hammer and son have some very fine pork hogs for sale.

The corn crop is not yielding as much per acre as our farmers had expected.

Luther H. Hurry, I understand, will move to Hurryville soon, where he is building.

Joseph Rudy of St. Louis is to move to his new home near Chestnut Ridge shortly.

Ed. Bloom is erecting a splendid cottage dwelling on some land he has lately bought.

I passed through Cook Settlement recently and found the farmers hustling, happy and contented.

The school at Chestnut Ridge seems to be progressing nicely under Prof. Young, late of Illinois.

Philip Westmeyer of Yale Forge is making a valuable addition to his residence. Ben Marks is doing the work.

"Uncle" William Gettlinger has had his differences with the Illinois Southern railroad adjusted to his satisfaction.

Rev. Ferguson will preach at Chestnut Ridge church next Saturday at 2 o'clock p. m. and on Sunday at 11 a. m. Everybody is invited. Come!

Dr. Pressnell, son-in-law of "Uncle" John Marks, is not expected to live on account of consumption. He is now with his father, Dr. Pressnell, Sr. at Charleston.

The Carrier of Route No. 3 continues to distribute sample copies of the News and solicit subscriptions, not withholding Uncle Sam is paying him to carry the mails.

John Stephens eloped this week with the 16-year-old daughter of John McBrien of south of town. Mrs. McBrien followed and overtook them at

Cape Girardeau before they had an opportunity to perjure themselves and get married, and brought her home, it is to be hoped a wiser maid.

The District Mission Board of the Missionary Baptist Church met last Saturday with the Farmington Baptist Church and had a very interesting meeting. Rev. C. T. Fortune was elected to continue in the mission for the next quarter. The board discussed some very important questions of interest to all orthodox churches. Among others was the propriety of letting strangers, who come along claiming to be preachers who have no license or ordination papers, enter our churches and lecture. The board was unanimous in the condemnation of such action. Among those present and taking part were Rev. W. M. Rudolph of Farmington, Messadmes Haad and Smith of Flat River, Wm. Reeves of Iron county, Louis Yates of Long-borough, Judge Tullock of Bismarck, Joseph Jennings of Three Rivers, Rev. Tolbert of Doe Run, Mr. Crump of Hickory Grove, near Belgrade, and C. J. Harrelson of Chestnut Ridge.

IN THE FIRST OPEN CAR.

True Tale of an Everyday Incident Which Had Romantic Furnishings.

The girl sat in the last seat of the first open car of the season, looking back at the long vista of the street they were fast leaving behind them. Her hands were full of impediments, though that word is perhaps more correctly applied to articles nearer the feet. But a purse, a handkerchief, a letter and several small parcels do not impede one's progress, especially if one is a pretty maid with a pride in one's long, much beruffled skirts, relates the Chicago Record-Herald.

Her parasol—the first of the season, too—she placed beside her. She must have been thinking deep thoughts, for it was with a start that she signaled the conductor to stop the car—a start that showed she had almost forgotten her destination.

She alighted hurriedly. The car started. Then a little flutter of the burdened hands, a gasp that was almost audible, and an agonized conviction of the pretty brows told the man who had sat beside her that she had forgotten something besides the destination.

He was a man who thought quickly. In an instant he had seen, seized, and held aloft her parasol. She nodded vigorously, motioning him to throw it to her. It was all done quickly, but the car, pitiless as time, was moving steadily, relentlessly away from her. The space between it and her was constantly increasing.

The man hesitated. It was such a pretty parasol. Such ruffles of chiffon.

She was following the car at a little dog trot, but it was leaving her far behind. It had almost reached the next corner.

The man waved the parasol at the conductor. The car stopped. Every one watched while he ran to the corner, carefully placed the fluffy, forgotten thing on the sidewalk, then ran back to the car.

The girl waved her hand in grateful recognition. He waved his in renunciation, perhaps.

As she reached the parasol a hand some young negro stooped to pick it up and contentedly handed it to her as she exclaimed: "It is mine, thank you."

But he was not a fairy prince—they are always blond and blue-eyed, with golden hair. And the man who should have received the tribute of her smiles was leaving her far behind.

For this you see, is a true story. And so they did not marry and live happily ever after. Perhaps he was married already and his dinner was waiting for him. At any rate, he saved his carfare.

CONTRACT WITH A SULTAN

How an American Woman Put Through a Five-Million-Dollar Deal.

The story of an interview that once took place between Mrs. Reader and the sultan of Johore, India, is thus related by Juliet Wilbur Tompkins in "Everybody's."

"She named her conditions; the right to issue \$5,000,000 worth of six per cent. bonds; 120,000 acres of land extending along the 120 miles of track; (in mines—but here royalty deurred a little); he thought he would secure a little for himself. For the first time the young contractor slipped into feminine processes of reasoning and set aside for a moment the urgent business-full enthusiasm of the promoter for the display of the human girl who sees her pet project in danger of failure."

"But you are so rich, you know you don't need all those mines," she argued, "and we do!"

"The sultan conceded the mines. From an oriental point of view the experience was perhaps cheap at the price. He conceded the \$5,000,000 worth of bonds, the 120,000 acres of land. At the end of their three hours' talk Ella Rawls had in her possession a \$5,000,000 contract to build a railroad across the state of Johore, and its ruler had secured on fair terms a means to wealth and civilization, the need of which could no longer be ignored. She had come to him at the psychological moment when the contract was ripe for giving; she had shown herself clear-headed and resolute master of the facts and frankly open in her statements; she had demanded much, knowing the value of what she gave, but there had been no sign of shyness, of trying to steal an advantage. No doubt to one accustomed to be approached by indirect methods, by gifts and flatteries, there was a wholesome convincingness in this novel experience, a welcome promise of good faith. At all events he accepted freely and wholly."

Impressive Sermon.

Wife (returning from church to her husband, who had stayed at home)—You should have heard Dr. Doe's sermon this morning, my dear. I don't know when anything has made such a psychological impression on me. I think it will make a better woman of me as long as I live.

Husband—Did you walk home?

Wife—O, no; I took a car, and do you know, John, the conductor never asked me for my fare, and so I saved a nickel. Wasn't I lucky?—Stray Stories.

The Truth.

The Editor—What have you written about the death of that bright young Jenkins?

The Irish Reporter—Something nice, sir, windin' up with these words: "He leaves a brilliant future behind him."—Trit-Blitz.

Obituary of Miss Eva Hastings.

Miss Eva Hastings was born at Nashville, Tenn., July 4th, 1850. She came to Missouri in 1853 with her parents, who have long ago "crossed over the river." In 1882 she and her sister Kate removed to Columbus, Kentucky, where in 1893, she was converted to the Christian faith, and took membership with the Missionary Baptists and lived a devoted Christian life until her death, which occurred at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clemma Chapman, at Jay Bee, Mo., Oct. 19th, 1905.

She fell a victim to stomach trouble about four years ago, during which time she has suffered untold agonies. She was treated by her home doctors in Kentucky, by doctors here, and by specialists in St. Louis, and kept a part of the time in a hospital in St. Louis, watched over by trained nurses, cared for by the best of physicians, and anything that seemed possible for her relief, in the way of love, nursing or expenditure, that could be furnished by her three sisters, Miss Kate Hastings, now of Arlington, Ky., Mrs. Clemma Chapman, of Jay Bee, Mo., and Mrs. Jennie Morris of St. Louis, has certainly been done. But this dreadful disease, consumption of the bowels, seceded at all medical science, until death came to her relief.

These three sisters, her brothers-in-law, W. N. Chapman, and several friends stood around her bed-side in her last moments. She had repeatedly said to her sisters that "the change must soon take place," that she was ready and waiting when the Lord should call her from this world to her place up higher. "Blessed are they who die in the Lord."

She leaves, also, another sister, Miss Adeline Hurry, of Oklahoma, and a brother, Mr. W. L. Hastings, of Lone Elm, Kansas.

The funeral services were held at Marvin Chapel, conducted by Rev. I. W. Wood, after which we laid her to rest in the new cemetery at that place. The family has the sympathy of many friends. To them, and to all, we would say, "Be ye ready, for ye know not the hour when the bridegroom cometh."

A Friend.

Card of Thanks.

We kindly thank our neighbors and friends for their untiring help and many acts of kindness shown us in the late sickness of our sister,

Mrs. C. CHAPMAN AND SISTERS.

October 27, 1905.

SALESMAN, NOVEMBER 15, 1905.

between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to satisfy said note together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

R. P. TAYLOR, Trustee.

October 27, 1905.

Ayer's

You can depend on Ayer's Hair Vigor to restore color to your gray hair, every time. Follow directions and it never fails to do this work. It stops

Hair Vigor

falling of the hair, also. There's great satisfaction in knowing you are not going to be disappointed. Isn't that so?

"My hair faded until it was about white. It took just one bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor to restore it to its former color, and color. Ayer's Hair Vigor certainly does what you claim for it."—A. W. BOWMAN, Rockingham, N. H.

for Fading Hair

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of St. Francis county, Missouri, dated October 27th, 1905, on the estate of

A. R. HARRIS, Deceased.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the administrator for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they will be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if not exhibited for allowance within two years from the date of said letters, they will be forever barred.

R. M. TALBERT, Administrator.

October 27, 1905.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

Whereas, J. F. Williams, by his certain deed of trust, dated the 15th day of October, 1904, and recorded to the Recorder's office of St. Francis county, Missouri, in book 64, at page 478, conveyed to the undersigned trust for the following described real estate, situate, lying and being in the county of St. Francis and State of Missouri, to-wit:

The northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section fourteen, containing forty acres, and ten acres a strip of equal width of the west side of the north half quarter of the northeast quarter of section fourteen, all in township thirty-five north of range sixteen west.

Which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of a certain promissory note in said deed described; and whereas, the said note has become due and is now, now, therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said deed of trust, and at the request of the lender of said note, I will proceed to sell the above described real estate at the south east corner of the city of Farmington, in the county of St. Francis, State of Missouri, to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, on

October 27, 1905.

R. P. TAYLOR, Trustee.

The Climax of Bargain Giving

Has been reached this week at the Grand Leader. We propose to sacrifice goods, regardless of their real worth, what they cost us, or what others charge for the same kind. On our immense bargain tables, just placed in the front part of the store, are bargains galore.

Immense Bargain Tables in Front of Store

Owing to the heavy, unprecedented selling we have experienced for the last three months in our efforts to sell out, we have frequently been unable to show you just the sizes or kinds or colors you wanted. Now, we have taken advantage of a great combination sale conducted by St. Louis wholesale houses, and have replenished some of our lines. ALL THESE NEW GOODS WILL BE FOUND ON TABLES IN FRONT AISLE, handy to look over, plainly marked, and waiting to be snapped up by some thrifty lover of real bargains. We tell you on this page of just a few of them, and invite you to come here FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, or all of next week and look them over. We will guarantee to sell you better goods for less money than any other store. These items and prices prove it. Prove it still further by coming to see the goods yourself.

Bring the children to the free concert Friday and Saturday.

Bring your neighbor along for company—she'll be interested too.

Men's 75c Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers

This excellent bargain represents a sure enough climax in value-giving. We positively KNOW you cannot find its equal in any St. Francis county store. They come in pretty colors, are warm, comfortable, serviceable and just the thing for these cold days from now on. We have slashed the price to the vanishing point. Find them on bargain tables for only 45c.

Men's Fifty and Sixty Cent Work Shirts made to stand wear, give supreme comfort and look nice. The best work shirts in the town at any price, yet our price, choose as you will from the bargain table, for only 40c.

Superseding Bargains in Men's Shirts.

Bought from the great "big five" sale in St. Louis, especially to help along the enthusiasm in this sale. Our price doesn't represent more than half their actual value. Fine, soft, warm flannel, non shrinking, beautifully made garments, real dressy and stylish, and on sale at other stores for as much as \$2.25. Our tremendous reductions run this way:

\$2.25 kind for only \$1.50
\$1.75 kind for only \$1.25
\$1.40 kind for only \$1.00
\$1.25 kind for only 80c

MEN'S FIFTY AND SIXTY CENT WORK SHIRTS made to stand wear, give supreme comfort and look nice. The best work shirts in the town at any price, yet our price, choose as you will from the bargain table, for only 40c.

Grand Leader Friday and Saturday Specials in the Grocery Department.

When we cut the price on groceries, it means something. Saving money on the cost of living is an important winter time consideration. We have always sold groceries as cheap as anyone else, but now, we're going to show you what we really can do when we try. Throughout our grocery department the low price tags reign supreme. And everything is the very best and most delicious, nutritious and appetizing of its kind, or the most dependable and useable of its line. Note just three special Friday and Saturday bargains:

25 Pounds of Best Granulated Sugar for \$1.00
Best Laundry Soap, regular five cent seller, while it lasts for 3c
Good quality Oat Meal, better than the rest and as good as the best only 10c for a two pound package.

Here's a Great Snap in Boy's Long Pants.

We have just FIFTY PAIRS left which we have placed on our quick sale bargain tables for immediate selling. They're all good, worth, dependable goods, in pretty colors. Dollar grade for 60c.

Fine Linen Towels at One-Third Off

Now is the time to stock up for a year or two, and save a great deal of money. You always need more towels—one never gets too many. We offer this superior towel at a straight reduction of one-third from the regular price. We have just 150 of them, which we have placed on the bargain tables to sell their quick.

First come, first served. You'd better get here early Friday morning and secure all you want of these splendid bargains.

Two Hundred Pairs of Gloves to be Sacrificed.

On our bargain tables you will find two hundred pairs of ladies and children's golf and fleece-lined gloves and mitts, bought from the great St. Louis sale, for this special purpose. Don't think, because you've priced gloves elsewhere that we won't beat the values offered by other people.

We Will Guarantee to Sell You Better Gloves For Less Money Than Anyone Else.

And we offer a range of 200 pairs—enough for you to select from, no matter what kind or color you want. Too many kinds to name all the prices, but we give you our word to sell them at just ONE-HALF regular prices.

Don't fail to attend our great concert Friday and Saturday of this week. Bring the children and hear good music for four hours. Free to everybody.

Ladies' Fascinators and Shawls.

We have an elegant line of these goods, useful for presents, and quite desirable for use right now. The line is exceptionally strong and every number is truly beautiful. Is well made, of good material, and the prices are cut like this:

75c kind for 50c
50c kind for 25c

Watch for our great guessing contest next week. A unique event in which anybody will get handsome prizes. Watch for the Yellow Kid